

Docket No. HOE96/F319CON

PATENT

REMARKS

The amendments submitted are in response to the issues raised in the Advisory Action mailed December 12, 2003.

Please cancel claim 116 without prejudice.

The amendment to claim 82 is supported in paragraph 33 of the published patent application.

The amendment to claim 86 is supported in paragraphs 86-87 of the published patent application.

The amendment to claim 86 is supported in paragraph 112 of the published patent application and addresses the issue raised by the Examiner.

No new matter has been added. The amendments to the all of the claims are intended to address the concerns of the Examiner raised in the Advisory Action. The Examiner's comment relating to product claims is moot in view of the cancellation of claim 116.

Consideration of this amendment, prompt examination and allowance of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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